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You write me you will be my "friend"

"Henceforth—no "friend," nothing more,

And to you, to your letter's end,

With grateful pity, to be satisfied,

As though you deemed the peace breath

Upon life's mirror deep and bland,

That nothing of the breathers' faith

When blotted by a jeweled hand.

But pardon me if I decline

Friendship, or sister's sacred tie

With one who thus can dash the wine

Of love that mantled late so high.

And all the burning looks that swim

Above the beaker turn to naught.

As points for future signposts

To while the worldly after-thought.

If, while you fed my flame with sighs,

Soft-whispered words, and looks given,

And under-lidded glances of eyes

Whence lovers build their hopes of heaven,

You merely meant to idle by

Some tedious hours—to "draw me out"—

Forgive me if your friendship I

Should deem too light to care about.

Or, if a darker purpose ruled,

To take a heart by stratagem,

And then, as your amusement cooled,

To wring the heart, and then to turn,

Forgive me still if I would not

In folding fancy's broken wing.

Crave sisterhood in deed or thought

From such a life, revolving thing.

Thanks for my letters! Here are yours.

With photograph and lot of hair,

And, if their memory yet endures

As something that could once enslave,

Flame them as rallying flags, I pray.

Above the long and teeming ranks

Of those who, at some future day,

Your friendship may decline with thanks.

Carrying His Own Bundle.

In the dustiest part of the dustiest

county of England is situated the little

semi-fashionable bathing town of

T.

Once, there happened to the said

town, a very dull season. Every

town on the coast besides was full of

company—bathers, walkers, donkey

riders, saunterers and peddle-gatherers;

yet the luckless town of T. was com-

paratively empty. Huge placards with

"Lodgings to let" stared everybody in

the face, from every window in every

direction.

In this state of utter stagnation were

affairs at T., when one hot day, in the

month of August, a stranger was seen

to enter the town, and to take up

residence in a house of the very first

and finest castles in T. stood aloof, hold-

ing themselves above him. Even the

shop-keepers, manna-makers, and wait-

ers at the taverns, felt their noses curl

up intuitively at him. The groups of

loiterers, collected at the doors of the

inns, passed contemptuous comments

on him as he pursued his way, and the

fashionable ladies, who were wont to

stroll about in the town, and to be seen in

the streets cast supercilious glances of

less superiority upon him, for he was

on foot and alone, attired in a coat,

waistcoat, and in short a whole suit,

of dark mixed cloth called pepper-

and-salt-colored, with a black silk hand-

kerchief tied about his neck in a man-

ical style. He wore sea-boots pulled

up his knees, and to complete the pic-

ture, carried a large bundle in a red silk

handkerchief at the end of a stout

grasping his trusty cudgel; "and pray,

sir, of what description do you suppose

me to be?"

The Jack in office surveyed the sturdy

stranger with a look in which contempt

and alarm were oddly blended, and he

replied:

"Can't exactly say, sir, but I'm sure

none of our subscribers would choose

to associate with you."

"How do you know that, you saucy

Jackanapes?" said the stranger, becom-

ing a little choleric.

"Why, sir, because, sir, we make a

point of being very select, sir, and never

on no account admit persons of your

description."

"But it seems you do not know of

what description I am."

"Why, sir, no one can expect to keep

these sort of things secret."

"What, then, is it whispered about

that I am?"

"Whispered! Lord, sir, it was in

everybody's mouth before breakfast."

"And what does everybody say?"

"That you are a broken-down miller

hiding from creditors." And here he

cast a shrewd glance on the threadbare

pepper-and-salt of the stranger, who

regarded him for a moment with a com-

ing expression on his features, made him

a profound bow, and walked off.

Not a humbled by this repulse,

the stranger repaired to the place of

general promiscuity, and took possession

of a vacant place at the end of one of

the benches, which was seated two

or three of those important people who

had from time immemorial invested

themselves with the dignity of the head

persons of the place.

These worthies did not allow him time

to make their acquaintance, but with an

air as if they dreaded infection, they

rose and departed. Not the least dis-

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well to spoil your sport by saluting,

when you thought fit to host foreign

coats."

"Jack, you are an honest fellow, and

here's a sovereign to drink my health,

for we have weathered many a hard

day together, and here's another for

keeping my secret, old heart of oak,

and gentlemen," continued Lord

A—B— "If you are not yet satis-

fied that the letter belongs to me, here

is, I trust, sufficient proof." As he

spoke he produced from his pocket-book

a bundle of letters, bearing the same

postmark as

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Dr. C. Norwood, Editor.
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A FEW MUSICAL FACTS.

When we were younger than we are now, we had a great passion for music, more so, perhaps, than now. We not only loved to sing, to study the science, but took a deep interest in gathering up old works, which contained scraps of history in reference to the varied changes that the science or art was subject to, as it is regarded now both as a science and an art. There was a time when it could lay claim to neither; all music was performed by rote, which simply means fixing in the memory without understanding.

We see by the old time instruments used, that they were of the simplest forms of instruments, like a "cornstalk fiddle." We read in sacred writ that the principal instruments in use in David's time, were the lute, the harp, and the timbrel. The timbrel was something like our tambourine, or an Indian paint keg with a skin drawn over it. The Scripture saith: "Go sound the loud timbrel over Egypt's dark sea; Jehovah hath triumphed, the people are free." This sounding of the "loud timbrel" was like sounding a big base drum.

The first intimation we have of any understanding in vocal music was from David, in Psalms. He said: "Sing with the spirit and with the understanding also"—meaning that we should fully understand the meaning of every word, and then sing it according to the true sentiment expressed by the words "in the spirit," the spirit the words demand. If we were to guess aloud, we would say that there are many modern professors who (if they would) could learn a lesson from the Psalmist, David.

As we have once said, music was once performed by rote—no scale, no law, no rule governing, but guided by the ear alone. Should we make some slight mistakes in data, our readers will pardon us, as our notes are far away; so we are compelled to write from memory. If our memory serves us aright, the first attempt to scientifically arrange characters or symbols, forming a basis upon which a musical structure might be built, and become, one of the greatest sciences of the age, the first seven letters of the alphabet were used, written upon a single line, thus commencing with the third letter: C, D, E, F, G, A, B, each letter supposed to emit a given sound when touched. So far as the reality is concerned, those sounds might have been represented by the letters of birds or beasts, or anything else, as well as by the first seven letters of the alphabet; it was supposed that the alphabet would be the most familiar object. Like money, its value was fixed by a given power.

There is a greater significance in the letters as arranged, than many, even professors of music, have yet conceived. Although the letters utterly failed for the purpose for which they were first introduced, yet, as a foundation, they cannot well be dispensed with. The first object of the use of these letters was not only to form a foundation for music, but also to represent sounds. This latter was soon found to be impracticable, for several reasons, one of which we will here present:

It will be observed that five of the seven letters in solmization; the sound ends in E, hence the pupil has no guide to the ear, nothing but the imagination of the relative distance of the sound emitted from each letter; therefore a change was imminent. Figures were introduced, but as yet there was no rule, no characters, flats or sharps, by which the figures (by rule) could become movable, but fixed as the letters were written on a staff as now composed of five lines and four spaces. While in this stage of progress a music book was published, called "Fifteen Hundred," (1500) containing about seventy-five pieces, every piece written on the key of C and with the common chord only, viz: 1, 3, 5, & 8. This system was also found impracticable for similar reasons, difficulty in enunciation, particularly seven.

When there had been awakened an almost universal feeling, delegations from nations met, the result was the introduction of notes, not only of one kind, but four, which we will give a partial history of, the why and wherefore, in our next.

Now is the time to subscribe for the ADVOCATE. Remember while it is hard times for you it is hard times for us.

THEORY AND PRACTICE.

At a recent meeting of the California Academy of Sciences, Professor Joseph Le Comte remarked as follows:

There is a common, deeply rooted prejudice in the popular mind—and it seems to be affecting even scientific men, on the one side, as well as practical men on the other—that there is a kind of antagonism between theory and practice. Now, so far from this being the case, a true theory is indissolubly connected with a true practice. There is an indissoluble marriage bond between them. It is even closer than this: it has the relation of spirit and body. Science is a complex web, woven warp and woof; the warp is scientific theory, the woof is the material derived from nature. It is impossible that one should exist without the other. And every intelligent human action, particularly of the complex kind, is necessarily guided by theory. And this is the true difference, in fact, between human activity and ordinary animal action. Human action is the most complex, and it is always guided by theory. The only difference between good practice and bad practice is that one is guided by good theory and the other is guided by false or bad theory. But all human action which pretends to be intelligent or rational, is guided by some theory, good or bad.

There is, I admit, a kind of theorizing, a spirit of theorizing, and a theoretical habit of mind, which is destructive of good practical work. But it is equally destructive of true science also. I refer to that theorizing upon an unsubstantial basis, that theorizing merely for the sake of theorizing, and merely for the pleasure of the intellectual activity of theorizing—merely for the self-complacent contemplation of the beauty of the theories that we create out of our minds. In this case the whole web, woof and warp, is woven out of the human mind, without the material being furnished to it by nature. It is like a castle building in the air, unsubstantial and resting upon a cloud; beautiful it may be to contemplate, but rapidly disappearing before the sun. It is like spiders' webs, woven out of its own bowels, both warp and woof; beautiful and intricate in its structure, and glittering with the dew in early morning but quickly brushed away from the path of progress. This kind of theorizing is equally as fatal to true science as it is to practical work.

This kind of theorizing is what we call speculation. Now, speculation bears the same relation to true theorizing in the world of science, which speculation bears to legitimate enterprise in business. As speculation in the field of business is prostrating to true enterprise, and through it prostrating to the true prosperity of the community, even so speculation in the realm of science is destructive to true theorizing, and therefore destructive to real practical work. But as enterprise is the basis upon which all legitimate industry rests, and must inevitably rest, and the whole prosperity of society must also rest with it, even so it is upon sound, cautious, inductive theorizing that the whole progress of science and also of sound practical work is based. Science is the fast friend of legitimate enterprise and legitimate industry, also, in both fields.

The Alchemist's Dream A Scientific Fact.

The following paragraph is taken from the London Daily News November 26th:

Mr. Norman Lockyer has realized the alchemist's dream, the transmutation of metals. In the presence of a small party of scientific men, Mr. Lockyer, by the aid of a powerful voltaic current, volatilized copper within a glass tube, dissolved the deposit formed within the tube, in hydrochloric acid, and then showed, by means of the spectroscopic, that the solution contained no longer copper, but another metal, calcium, the base of ordinary lime. The experiment was repeated with other metals and with corresponding results. Nickel was thus changed into cobalt, and calcium into strontium. All the bodies, as is well known, have ever been regarded as elementary—that is, as incapable of being resolved into any components, or of being changed one into another. It is on this basis that all modern chemistry is founded, and should Mr. Lockyer's discovery bear the test of further trial, our entire system of chemistry will require revision. The future possibilities of the discovery it is difficult to limit. The great object of the old alchemists was, of course, to transmute base metals into gold, and so far as our knowledge goes there is no reason why copper should not be changed into gold as well as into calcium.

It often happens only three lines wanted, when it so occurs, all in a hurry, ready for press, but there is a little hole to be filled, let this fill it.

THE FIRST CHECK ON MORMONISM.

The editorial remarks of the Sacramento Bee, on the action of the Supreme Court on Mormonism, is so truthful that we take the liberty of copying the article entire:

The Mormons do not like the decision of the United States Supreme Court in reference to polygamy and loudly complain that the Court has trampled on the letter and the spirit of the Constitution by interfering with a religious belief. The Constitution never intended that any religion as a religion should be interfered with; and neither did it intend that vice, under the cloak of religion, should trample on all law and all decency. If the thumb screw and rack of the Inquisition were to become part of the paraphernalia of a modern church, it would not be long before some one would be indicted either for murder or attempt at murder. The burning of Servetus at the stake would probably be followed in this age by the lynching of the murderers. Yet these deeds were sanctioned by religion, and done in the name of religion, and were unpunished by law. Some of the heathen tribes yet immolate victims to the gods. That is a part of their religious belief, but immolation would never be allowed in this nation. Some twenty or thirty years ago there was a sect in the Eastern States called the Cronkites, who believed that by chastity alone could the world be saved, and its few followers, men and women, would appear nude at the meetings in order to prove, after temptation, their right to the throne eternal. Yet the tyrannical police would not allow them to practice this peculiar religious belief. Liberty of conscience does not mean license to flaunt vice, lust, and a disregard of all pure home ties in the eyes of the world, and be free from interference simply because it happens to be dubbed religion. The first great check has been given to polygamy, but it will be of no avail unless officers and judges do their duty impartially and fearlessly.

CURIOSITIES OF BOTANY.—Professor Harvey, of the Arkansas Industrial University, in a letter to the *Scientific American*, says:

In the article on the "Proceedings of the Torrey Botanical Club," published in your issue of December 7, mention is made of a "full-blown rose" from the center of which another perfect flower was growing. I wish to state that two roses were found last summer growing on the same bush, one having a cluster of five perfect buds raised on a stem from its center, and the other three. A species of Allium was found in which the stamen, in a flower otherwise normal, was replaced by a bulblet; also in another flower one of the stamens was replaced by a perfect flower.

An ear of corn which has grown wrong side out, is in my possession. The ear has the form of an inverted truncated cone, bearing the kernels on the walls of the hollow. The cob has a smooth exposed surface, and a texture somewhat more compact than the cob of normal ears.

A FISH-HOOK ON A TEAR.—Mrs. Smith of this city found a fish-hook among her husband's papers, and determined to destroy it. So she resolved to burn the fish-hook up, and for this purpose cast it into the stove. The next morning Mr. Smith, in digging out the "clinkers," found the fish-hook in the hall of his thumb. After the surgeon had removed it, he put it into his vest pocket, with an idea of showing it to his acquaintances. He sauntered down street, when an expeditionary colored woman swept by him and was suddenly brought to with a "round turn." The hook had worked its way partly out of his pocket, and its point caught in the bodice of her dress. The situation grew momentarily interesting to the bad boys who in fact the thoroughfare, and they hailed Smith's efforts to liberate himself from Liberian custody with hoots of delight. Finally the dusky female swung clear and went dashing down the street. A policeman attempted her arrest, but was arrested himself by a fish-hook in the palm of his hand. The hook is now in the station-house, waiting to have something done with it. Any person desiring a permanent situation to take care of a fish-hook should make immediate application to the proper authorities.—[*New London (Conn.) Telegram.*]

MUSICIAN'S BEQUEST.—When it was announced that a citizen of Nevada, recently deceased, had bequeathed his private library to the State, the virtues of the departed and his great intellectual attainments were the theme of supererogatory in most of the Nevada papers. But when a catalogue of the volume constituting the "magnificent gift" showed that the "private library" consisted of a copy of "Hoyle," a pocket dictionary and two paper-covered novels, there was but one paper in the State that had moral courage enough to publish the facts.—[*Washington Post.*]

IN MEMORIAM.

At a regular meeting of Buckeye Grange No. 96, held Jan. 4, 1879, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, By dispensation of our Heavenly Master, another link in our fraternal chain has been severed by the death of our late sister, Alice Kinsey, therefore

Resolved, That we wish to express our sorrow at her decease.

Resolved, That in the death of our late sister, Buckeye Grange has lost an earnest and faithful member, society an upright and respectable young lady, and her family an affectionate daughter and niece.

Resolved, That we tender to the family of our late sister our sincere and earnest sympathy in their great sorrow and affliction.

Resolved, That our charter be draped in mourning for thirty days, and that the members wear the usual badge of mourning.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Grange, and a copy be sent to the *California Patron* and the *Winters Advocate*, for publication, and that a copy be sent to the family, by our Secretary.

J. H. WILGUS,
LORENZO DEXTER, } Committee.
IDA L. DEXTER,

A Boy With A Heart.

The other day a bit of aboy called at the side door of a good-looking farm residence and told such a sorrowful story that the lady was not stingy in throwing provisions into his basket. Happening to look into the front yard after a few minutes, she saw the strange boy mixed up with her three or four children, and she called out:

"Boy, what are you doing here?"
"Peep'n these half-starved children!" he promptly replied.

"But those are my children!" she indignantly exclaimed.

"Makes no difference to me," he said, as he broke off another piece of cake.

"When I find a young uncraving for bread, and ready to swear that he hasn't tasted pie for over a year, 'I'm goin' to stop business and brace him up!' Haven't you got a clean waist which I could put on this dirty little boy?"

She looked up and down to see if any canvasser for the poor heathen were in sight, and then she grabbed the broom and ran the sympathetic boy out of the yard.—[*N. Y. Graphic.*]

THE EMIR OF CABUL.—The harem of Shere Ali, the Emir of Cabul, comprises 300 women, including slaves. He has one son, Yakob Khun, whom he lately released from several years imprisonment, and eighteen daughters, ten of whom are married to distinguished vassals. They each received as dower the revenues of a town. The Emir lives generally at Cabul, in the palace of Balar Hissar, which has all the characteristics of a medieval fortress. His other two palaces in that city are Mogul Hissar, where his unmarried daughters and harem are located, and Tadschei Omrah, which contains the harem of his father. The Emir's aged mother resides with him.—[*New York Sun.*]

DOES CIDER INTOXICATE?—Two Lakewood, (N. Y.) boys, aged 13 and 17 years, started hunting last week, and stopping at a cider mill purchased two gallons of old apple juice. As they did not return, search was made, which resulted in finding their bodies. One had fallen over a ledge and had apparently not stirred after striking. The other was lying upon his back, his gun being thrust, muzzle downward, into the mud. It was plain that both had died from the effects of drinking the cider. A neighboring judge and jury had, on the previous day declared that hard cider is intoxicating.

SPAKE AISEY.—Judge Kii is noted for the urbanity of his temper, but it sometimes occurs that people come in to the Police Court and act in such an irascible manner as to worry him almost to the borders of semi-insanity, and ruffle, as it were, his easy-going judicial ear. There was a case in point this morning. A long, lanky chap, dressed in a red shirt and a good deal of aggravating pertinacity, persisted in gabbling away so that not a soul besides himself could be heard. At last his Honor sharply demanded:

"Man! will you be quiet!"
"Well, spake to me aisey, like. Phat's the use to shrap the head aff me?"

"Will you keep silent?"

"All right. But keep your shirt on. Sure; better ye draw it aisey."

"If you don't keep still I'll have you locked up."

"All right. But spake it aisey. Talk to me as if I was a man an' a brother."

"Captain, lock this man up!" Hereupon an officer grabbed the disturbing man by the arm and led him to the pen, when the latter sang out:
"All right. Look me up aisey. But if I were joodge it would be different."
"What's that?" his Honor demanded.
"All I mane is, fax, if I was a joodge its somebody else would be locked up, un T'd be perched up in the poolpit, there, spaking aisey meself."—[*Indianapolis Sun.*]

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Leaves San Francisco, Jackson Street Wharf.

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FORSMAN & FISK, Agents, SUISUN.

SILVEY'S HOTEL,

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MODERATE CHARGES.

ber 28th will be at

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US & well supplied Bar in the House.
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At SUISUN, 3rd to 15th March, 1879.

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By the Use of Liquid Nitrous Oxide.

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AT REASONABLE RATES.

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Address all communications to office at Suisun.

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THE REGULAR MEETING OF
Danceable Lodge No. 33, K. of P.
takes place every first and third
THURSDAY evening of each
month, at 7 o'clock sharp.
By order of
EDWARD FISHER, O. C.
W. P. Womack, E. & R. A. S.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

Mail closes daily at the post office at Winters
for Madison and Capay at 11:20 o'clock
A. M. daily; for Sacramento, North and East,
and San Francisco, South and West, daily at
2:30 o'clock P. M.
OFFICE HOURS
Post office open from 7 o'clock A. M. to 9 P. M.
ON SUNDAYS
open from 9 o'clock A. M. to 10 o'clock
A. M. LORENZO MOODY, postmaster.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

Cold.
Chilly winds,
Farmers grumbling.
Threatening to rain.
If you want a tooth pulled, go to Thomas
Keefe's Drug Store.
Palmer has added to his groceries, overalls
and underwear.
Ottago & McLeod have added a new chim-
ney and bellows to their already extensive
facilities for blacksmithing.
Tom Willis has moved his tin-shop from
the old Masonic building, to Mr. Seaman's
building, next door to Meddett's saloon.
Call and see Elliott & Co., on the south
side of Main street. We are told that they
are giving excellent bargains in their line.
Doc Edwards is making a nice improve-
ment at the Occidental—filling in his yard
with gravel, and also graveling the street in
front.
The people of Winters extend pardon to
the Yolo Mail for neglecting to state that
"the ladies built a new church here, last
season."

Anyone wishing to know anything about
their neighbors' business, call on the Town
Dictionary. You will find him twisting
around a post up town—if it's warm.
We have had a little rain fall of 50-100 of
an inch, with a good prospect for more. Our
farmers are growing jubilant over the pros-
pects of a good crop. They have our pray-
ers.

Take particular notice and read weekly
what the Pacific Outfitting Company have to
say about their business, as conducted on
the Eastern plan. See ad. at the end of lo-
cal column.

The National Gold Medal was awarded
to Bradley & Ralston, for the best Photo-
graphs in the United States and the Vienna
Medal for the best in the World. 429
Montgomery Street, San Francisco.

Remember of California just at hand for
January; the number is complete, double
size, with many beautiful illustrations, and
much interesting matter from nearly all parts
of the State; gives a complete showing of the
resources of our prolific State.

We would call the attention of the good
people who visit Woodland, to the variety
store of J. C. O'Connor (the invalid). Pat-
ronize him in his efforts to sustain himself.
It is the duty of all who need anything in
his line, to patronize him.

Willis is on the rampage this morning. He
says Jeff Davis is the only white man in the
United States. He only wants to live long
enough to see him elected President of the
United States! That's about as long as any-
body would care to live.

Our Richard has finally concluded to join
the Good Templars. We understand that
he sent in his name Friday evening. He
believes he can pay his share of the expense
of the society, and have a surplus at the end
of the year. Go it, Dick; if we were only
rich, we would be with you.

We would again call the attention of our
readers to the stock of Harling, Lowry & Co.
We are informed that their new plan, adopt-
ed the first of this month—selling goods at
cash prices—is working well, and the people
will soon see the benefits arising therefrom.
Go and see them, they have a full stock.

THE SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN, published by
Munn & Co., New York, is the oldest, best
and most reliable publication of the kind
in the United States. It is an illustrated
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chanics. To inventors it is almost indispen-
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edges, containing 1400 pages, and many en-
gravings and tables important to every pat-
entee or mechanic, and a useful hand book
of reference for everybody, price 25 cents,
mailed free. Send and get one. Address,
Munn & Co., 37 Park Row, New York.

The Incurable Cured.

The Napa County Reporter gives us an
account of the miraculously curative prop-
erties of the Atma Springs, Pope Valley, Napa
county, Cal., and says: "The Springs are
visited by many persons afflicted with vari-
ous and incurable diseases, few of whom fail
to find relief, and many are entirely cured."
It certainly must be powerful, the cure the
incurable. It looks, however, as though it
was slightly mixed.

Madison Items.

Levy, of Madison, has ordered ninety cars
for the shipment of his wheat. This sounds
like business.

James McHenry, near Madison, an exten-
sive farmer and leading Good Templar, is
very sick—not expected to recover.

The stage just starting for Woodland
from Madison, last Tuesday morning, as
they were crossing a small bridge near the
depot, one of the leaders shied a little and
one of the tugs dropped, which scared the
driver; he threw the lines and jumped, and
left Mr. Holcomb sitting upon the seat,
without means of guiding the horses. A
bystander said he sat as straight as a duck
in the rain, while the horses took several
turns over the railroad track, and finally
came up standing against a woodpile, all safe
and sound, doing no material damage.

The Second Wife.

A melancholy woman lay
In sickness, on her bed,
And in a faint and broken voice
To her husband said:
"Dear David, when my earthly form
Has turned to lifeless clay,
O wait and weep a little while,
Nor throw yourself away.
I know a woman, kind and true,
On whom you may depend;
O marry Arabella Jones—
She is my dearest friend."
"Yes, Hattie, I have much desired
To talk of this before—
For Arabella Jones and I
Have thought this matter over."
"Then you and Arabella Jones
Have been too smart and sly;
I tell you David Wilkinson,
I'm not a-join' to die!"
Her dark eyes flashed, her strength re-
turned,
She left her bed of pain;
A week had hardly passed away
When she was well again.
—Chicago Tribune.

Gold.

Heavy to get and light to hold;
Hoarded, bartered, bought and sold,
Stolen, borrowed, squandered, doled;
Spurred by the young, but hugged by the
old.
To the very verge of the churchyard
mould;
Price of many a crime untold;
Gold! gold! gold! gold!
Good or bad a thousand fold!
How widely its agencies vary
To save—to ruin—to curse—to bless—
As even its minted coins express,
Now stamped with the image of good
Queen Bess,
And now of a bloody Mary.
—Hood.

Logic.

He was in logic a great critic,
Profoundly skilled in analytic;
He could distinguish and divide
A hair 'twixt south and south-west side.
He'd run in debt by disputation,
And pay with ratiocination.
All this, by syllogism true,
In mood and figure he would do.
Butler's Sir Hudibras.

SOLID MERIT WILL TELL.

For all the bitter opposition of jealous riv-
als, no better illustration can be had of this
fact than the immense sale already attained
by the great Throat and Lung Remedy, Dr.
Aug. Kaiser's German Elixir. For the cure
of Coughs and Bronchial Affections, it is truly
wonderful, even those suffering from Con-
sumption in advanced stages find great re-
lief, and numbers of patients have found, to
their delight, not only relief, but cure. It
being perfectly harmless, makes it at
once popular with mothers, who, of all oth-
ers, have felt the necessity of such a medi-
cine. The genuine bears the Prussian coat
of arms, the facsimile signature of Dr. Aug.
Kaiser, and has his name blown on every
75 cent bottle. A trial size may be had at
the drug store of Thomas Keefe, for 25 cents.

We are pleased to receive substantial evi-
dence that our efforts are being appreciated in
the changes we have made, and are making
in our paper. We have put in all new type
and fixtures. Our type is the hand set
Scotch type, the best in the market, all fix-
tures new complete. In consequence of the
change, two being short for two or three weeks,
but on the 15th we expect to be able to
come promptly to time again. To our
friends who have so nobly stood by us, we
thank them, and hope in the future to ever
merit their constant friendship and support.
We hope also our advertisers will be as
prompt as possible, as we heavy expense and
really need those little bills to help us
through. We are prepared to do all kinds of
small job work, such as receipts, billheads,
cards, &c., in the neatest style.

THE PACIFIC OUTFITTING COMPANY.

This is a San Francisco in-
stitution, on an Eastern plan; and its object
is to furnish most fitting, fashionable, cus-
tom made clothing at the very lowest prices.
The Company always keep in stock a
large assortment of cloths, from the choicest
American to the costliest French and Eng-
lish fabrics; and by giving satisfaction to all
its customers, has, in a comparatively short
time, created a thriving business. They
keep no stock of ready-made clothing, but
manufacture to measure, as sent in by their
traveling agents, or as taken by the parties
themselves. Send for our system of self-
measurement, samples and prices. They
employ the most fashionable cutters in the
city. Tailors are thorough workmen. Pa-
cific Outfitting Company, No. 11 Geary
Street, San Francisco.

The fact that Dr. W. C. Harding has gone
to the expense of a new dress throughout his
paper, in these hard times, is the best
evidence in the world of its increasing popu-
larity. In spite of the howlings and ravings
of a few maniacs, who are seeking to crush
us, a steady increase is the result. The peo-
ple are beginning to see that it is spite work
of the whiskey ring, and they will see, to it
at the next election that the present corrupt
incumbents of office are removed.

Canning.

We learn that there is a canning insti-
tution started in Winters, having two or three
branches in different parts of town. One of
the principal features of the business is the
tying of tin cans to dogs' tails, and running
down through the streets. The crowd are as
zealous and more deeply interested than they
would at a protracted meeting; where their
salvation was at stake. Forward has sworn
vengeance against them, for cruelty to ani-
mals.

A naughty little New York girl
looked at the flushed face of one of her
young admirers the other day as asked:
"Were you painted before you were
baked, or are you one of those horrid,
cheap, American faiencees?"—Boston
Transcript.

"Wasp" Stingers.

When Ham was sick, he was cured
by smoking!—N. Y. Mail.
When a joke is old as the hills it has
little valley.—N. Y. News.
Two feet of hose is considered
enough for dancing pumps.—Boston
Transcript.
Never call your wife "Miserly," even
if she "loves company."—Hakensack
Republican.

Games of chance would not be so
roughly, if a man could win every
time.—Whitehall Times.
No wonder they don't find Stewart's
body. It was always difficult to get a
cent of him.—Syracuse Times.
Anybody can catch a cold now. The
trouble is to let go again, like the man
who caught the bear.—Ex.

Two hundred and nine lawyers in
Congress! Good gracious! Is it any
wonder they talk of a short session!—
N. Y. Express.
That popular cry, "another lie rail-
ed," was originated by Jael, who palled
Sisera, when he was lying before her.
—Danbury News.

It is said that Bob Ingersoll is en-
gaged in getting up matter on Job's
life for a lecture. It will probably boil
over with fun.—Wheeling Leader.

Girls who give the boys a cold shoul-
der for a Christmas present, are very
likely to meet with a warm reception
when they collide.—Elmira Gazette.
When Pope said "Worth makes the
man, and want of it the feller," did he
mean the wood-chopper or the prize-
fighter?—Baltimore Every Saturday.

A South Norwalk hatter has chewed
tobacco a great number of years with-
out any injury to himself—having
begged the tobacco.—Danbury News.
A great writer says: "Some people
are born Christians." But there's no
occasion for worrying over the matter;
they generally outgrow it.—Bridgeport
Standard.

"REVOLUTION" ON THE MEXICAN COAST.

SAN FRANCISCO, DEC. 28.
Passengers by the steamer Granada,
just arrived from Panama and way
ports, report that as the Granada was
leaving Mazatlan, bound north, news
was received of a severe battle between
the forces of the Clerical chief, Lermo,
and the national troops under General
Escadero, military commander at Guad-
alajara. Lermo, with his Indians, had
captured the town of Tepic in the name
of the Clerical party, and there held
high carnival for a few days. He also
held the road leading from Tepic to the
seaport of San Blas. Upon the advan-
ce of Escadero, Lermo marched out to
meet him, but was totally defeated and
most of his adherents captured, eighty
of whom were immediately hanged.
The balance of those captured, claim-
ing to have been forced into the rebel
service, were allowed to go to their
homes.—Sac. Bee.

LAUGHED TO DEATH.—At Newport,
R. I., Joshua Walker purchased a quan-
tity of pork, and taking it home, pro-
ceeded to salt it down. His wife soon
after discovered that he had been trying
to make brine with white sugar. She
was seized with a fit of laughter which
continued for several minutes, when
she suddenly expired. Mrs. Walker
was only 20 years old, and had been but
recently married.—Detroit Post.

A WIDOW'S FARMING.—Mrs. Saman-
tha Wall, a widow with seven children,
all girls, two of whom did the plowing
on the farm, made this year a good crop
of wheat, between 300 and 400 bushels
of corn, 100 bushels of potatoes, 100
bushels of peas, and meat for the family,
and two barrels of cotton. This was
done on poor pine land, about four
miles from Fort Perry, and without
any fertilizer.—Buena Vista (Ga.)
Argus.

On the 8th instant, a fire destroyed
the residence of Han Hubbard, situated
about three miles South-east of Madison.
Cause of the fire, a defective stove-pipe.
Neighbors succeeded in saving most of
the furniture. Small insurance. Q.

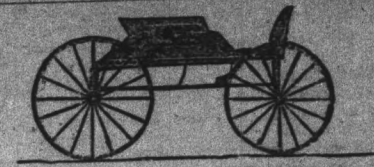
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Treats All Chronic and Special Diseases.
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WHO MAY BE SUFFERING FROM THE ef-
fect of youthful follies or indiscretion, will do
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ever held out to the sufferer from this class of
disease. DR. SPINNEY will guarantee to relieve \$500 for every case
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MIDDLE-AGED MEN.
There are many at the age of 30 to 40, who are
troubled with two frequent ailments of the bladder,
often accompanied by a slight smarting or burning
sensation, and a weakening of the system in a man-
ner the patient cannot account for. On examining
the urinary deposits, aropy sediment will often be
found, and sometimes small portions of albumen will
appear, or the color will be of a thin, milky hue,
again changing to a dark, torpid appearance. There
are many men who die of this difficulty, ignorant of
the cause, which is the second stage of Seminal weak-
ness. Dr. S. will guarantee a perfect cure in such
cases, and a healthy restoration of the genito-urinary
organs.
OFFICE HOURS.—10 to 4 and 6 to 8, Sundays,
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Call on or address
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BLACKSMITHS AND WAGON-MAKERS.
WAGONS MADE AND REPAIRED. BLACK-
SMITHING IN ALL ITS BRANCHES DONE
WITH neatness and dispatch, and second to none. Call
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PRACTISING PHYSICIAN.
OFFICE AT MADISON DRUG STORE. PRO-
fessional calls attended with promptness, Day
and Night.

S. WOOTTEN & SON,
Golden State Mills,
MADISON, YOLO CO., CAL.

WE ARE PREPARED TO DO FIRST-CLASS
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ALWAYS ON HAND.

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will find it to their interest to do their

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have a large lot of stock on hand, and have to raise

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manent one, but only for a short time, and advise all

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OUR CREDIT SYSTEM,

—AND DO ALL BUSINESS ON A—

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Believing this the only way to place

Cash and Credit Customers on equality. We

shall therefore

MARK ALL GOODS DOWN TO

CASH FIGURES

BY THAT TIME.

It will be our aim to compete with all deal-

ers, in quality of Goods, and Prices, and to

sell at the

LOWEST POSSI-

BLE FIGURES.

If, by agreement, Credit shall be given,

INTEREST WILL BE CHARGED ON ALL BILLS.

After a specified time.

WE HAVE ADOPTED CASH CHECKS IN OUR

Business, and are confident that our custom-

ers will find it to their advantage to use them in pay-

ment for goods.

HARLING, LOWRY & CO.

WINTERS, DEC. 14, 1878.

a 14-8-44.

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BARBER SHOP,

Railroad Street, adjoining the Occidental Hotel.

Where he is prepared to do all work in his line, and

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To merit Public Patronage.

Ladies' and Children's HAIR CUTTING AND

SHAMPOOING

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KEEPS A FULL
Line of Groceries,
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PRICE

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With care and skill. Physicians' prescriptions care-

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D. P. EDWARDS, Proprietor.

HAVING TAKEN POSSESSION OF THIS FA-

vorite Hotel, I am now prepared to offer to the

resident and traveling public

a 51-8-44.

FIRST CLASS BOARD,

Large and Well Furnished Rooms

Some Great Men Who Smoke.

Some authors assert that smoking dates back into antiquity. Be this as it may, we can surely trace it back to the aborigines of America. The smoking of herbs or leaves for medicinal purposes has been practiced from a very early period in many countries. Inasmuch as pipes have been dug up in places near the Roman wall, in the north of England, and at the Roman stations, it has been taken for granted that the Roman soldiers smoked fifteen hundred years ago.

Oliver Cromwell was a bitter enemy to smoking. He was also Charles I. and Charles II. But notwithstanding persecution, smoking grew in favor, and in the reign of William III. it was almost a universal custom. "Pipes grew long then, and, ruled by a Dutchman, all England smoked."

Some of the Puritans were moderate smokers in England and also in America, and some of the New England women enjoyed indulging in a pipe.

Mrs. Mary Rowlandson, wife of Joseph Rowlandson, of Lancaster, Mass., had the misfortune to be captured by the Indians in the year 1703, during King Philip's war. She was brought into the presence of Philip, that redoubtable chieftain, who offered her a pipe, according to the Indian custom. "But smoking," she says, "did not suit my present feelings; for, though I had formerly made use of tobacco, yet I had used none since I was taken." The fashion is not yet entirely obsolete among the women of New England, and is indulged in by some of the women of the west and south.

In 1690 Cardinal St. Croix, who was a great smoker, introduced tobacco into Italy.

In 1690 Pope Innocent XII. excommunicated all who should take snuff or use tobacco in church, but in 1724 Pope Benedict revoked this bill, as he himself used tobacco immediately.

Perhaps the most celebrated female smoker was Mme. Dudevant (George Sand), who loved to smoke a cigar while at work on her interesting novel, "Emily Flandin" is very fond of smoking cigarettes.

Robert Hall, the celebrated divine, is said to have preached his most eloquent sermons after smoking a pipe in his vestry. This was also the case with Dr. Parr, who sometimes smoked a pipe in an evening, and never wrote well except under the influence of tobacco. Bishop Kennet relates that Thomas Hobbes, the philosopher of Malmesbury, retired to his study every day after dinner, and that he could not get on his feet for the pipe laid by him; then, shutting the door, he fell to smoking, thinking, and writing for several hours. Although he smoked excessively he lived to the age of 92.

Sir Isaac Newton, the famous fond of his pipe. He lived to a ripe old age, and lost but one tooth, which would seem to disprove the assertion that tobacco injures the teeth. Alfred de Musset, Prosper Merimee, and Eugene Sue were excessive smokers. Lord Beaconsfield loved the long pipe in his youth, but in middle age pronounced it "the tomb of love." He gave up smoking years ago to please his wife.

John Milton never went to bed without having first smoked a pipe, and drank a glass of water. Addison used to frequent "Button's," where he had a pipe in his mouth at all hours. Fielding, the famous novelist, both smoked and chewed. Dickens, Terrell, and Thackeray all smoked. Sir Walter Scott smoked in his carriage and regularly after dinner, loving both pipe and cigars. He gave the following advice: "Learn to smoke slowly." Cultivate calm and intermittent puff.

Charles Lamb has sung the virtues of tobacco in his poem, "Farwell to Tobacco," in which he owns his weakness in the famous words:

For thy sake, tobacco, I would do anything but die.

Ben Jonson loved the "divine weed," and describes its use with the gusto of a connoisseur. In the poem, "The Celebrated Baptist preacher of London, is a great smoker. On one occasion the Rev. G. H. Pentecost, of Boston, addressed an audience in Burgeon's tavern, in which he denounced smoking as an offense in the sight of God. When he had finished speaking Mr. Spurgeon got up and told his people that he saw no possible sin in smoking, and electrified Brother Pentecost by remarking that he was going to smoke a cigar himself. Rev. W. H. Murray enjoys a cigar as well as a good dinner. The same may be truly said of a great many celebrated divines.

The late Commodore Vanderbilt was an inveterate smoker, and was soon made a good cigar smoker. U. S. Grant smokes. He is said to have once remarked that in the war the enemy could do him no greater injury than to steal his cigars just before a battle.

Edison both smoked and chewed. John Swinton smoked moderately. Thomas Bailey Aldrich smokes the best Havana cigars, which he says, imparts a flavor to his poetry. Oliver Wendell Holmes loves tobacco, and a famous Boston publisher, is a very nervous man, and smokes a good cigar frequently, biting at it in a vicious manner.

Oliver Dilton, now nearly 70 years old, smoked a regular tin of cigars during every day. Charles A. B. Shepard, B. H. Tinknor and Augustus Plagg are great smokers. John Bartlett, author of "Bartlett's Familiar Quotations," made a good cigar a great pleasure while making his researches.

The late Charles Sprague, who died when over 80 years of age, was a constant smoker. He wrote a poem, "My Cigar," in which these lines occur:

In learned doctor's spite,
I take all other clouds dispel,
And I am in delight.

James Russell Lowell smoked a pipe. Bayard Taylor was equally at home with a pipe or cigar. President Andrew Jackson smoked a corn-pipe. Most of our politicians, lawyers, physicians, and many of the clergy use tobacco. With these in his favor, why should any be against it?—N. Y. Eve.

American Life.

If one were asked to name a charity of American life which is very prominent he might say it is the desire to get something rather than to be something. This desire is not by any means confined to Americans, but it is more marked here than elsewhere because of the absence of traditions, and because of the absence of a social condition. It constitutes a special danger in the case of the coming struggle for material advantage and prosperity. It is a desire which can not be too seriously considered by those who are getting the elements of their education and preparing for a career. This desire, which is more than a tendency, may be described as a disposition to get place and rank, with little regard to fitness for them. It reverses the natural order, and presupposes that success in life is not due to training and discipline so much as it is to opportunity. Hence our many failures of all sorts, the direct result of our eager assumption of office, of business, of trades, without adequate preparation. The ambitious thought stirring in most young men is what career they shall choose; not how they shall train themselves for a career. It is the ambition to do something rather than to learn how to do something; as we said, the eagerness to get a place rather than to train oneself to the duties of that place. It is unnecessary to say how opposite this is to the method which has made the Germans strong in every department of human endeavor. The leading idea in gymnasium and university is training, solid preparation for the chosen career.

A familiar illustration of our self-confidence without preparation is that of the young lady who proposes to go upon the stage with no training, and seeks a manager when she should go to an elocutionist.

Hence the young man's thoughts of business or of an office are not so much in relation to his ability to perform it as to get into it. No doubt all this would be better done from the cabinet, making up to law-making if people had a habit of getting ready to do things before they begin. It is worth while to stop and think to whom it is that we intrust the most delicate duty performed in human society—the making of our laws. Of course we know that our laws are made by our Legislature. And who are the legislators? These law-makers are not the proper result of our political system, but of our political machine. And here again the young man has the precarious wisdom of his generation. If he determines to go into politics, or to enter the civil service of his country, he does not prepare himself for the position; he makes up to the position for the other; he makes himself an adept in the manipulation of canons and the securing of the favor of those who can help him. If he seeks a Consulate at Naples, he does not study Italian; he "carries" his word. Here, again, the American is more eager to get something than to be something; and yet it should be said in respect to the civil service that there is this exact for the young man: there is no other way to get into it than that named. Our civil service is what the English was fifteen years ago, and it is about the most undemocratic in the world.

It is to those who are not favored by the accident of political influence. The English service until recently was almost exclusively filled by the aristocracy; it was the patronage of Parliament and the aristocracy. Now, through the effect of competitive examination, it is open to the humblest lad in the land if he have talent, and we may be sure that the father of the middle class will never surrender this privilege for his son. Nor will the American people, when they understand the subject, consent that so honorable and profitable a career shall be the object of patronage and the perquisite of successful politicians. It is not unimportant that the door to it shall be open to the fair ambition of those willing to fit themselves for it. It will become a legitimate career, like law or medicine; and one advantage of opening it to public competition—and it is not unimportant—is the stimulus it will give to education.

Such are some of the present aspects of American life. The topic is fruitful of suggestions, which we have no space to follow; and it is useless to moralize. Long ago the philosophers decided that it is important what a man is, not what he has. It was an aphorism of Solon that "Society is generated by wealth, and insolence by poverty"; and again, that members of a community are more effectively deterred from injustice if those who are not injured feel as much indignation as those who are. Or, to put this in modern phrases, we see the danger of a national habit that esteems success by possession, and not by character, and nurses the delusion of equality without sympathy between classes.—Charles Dudley Warner, in Atlantic Monthly.

A THIRTIETH OF THE TIMES—There are several things that in human life are more than cut his throat. An honorable daughter dead is mourned less than a daughter dishonored. I know a school of superb culture, a temple of sanctity, where three hundred young women are gathered under the very best religious influences and the loftiest educational incitements. I have wandered up and down the halls of the palatial building in which the instruction is given; I have admired the works of art there, and had occasion to study minutely the enthusiasms for art and social improvement and religious usefulness which fill that school and vivify its lofty regard for intellectual culture. But this institution public school catalogue. Why? Go to the New York Society for the Suppression of Vice, to the Boston society, or to the committees which have been organized at Providence and Cincinnati and St. Louis and Chicago, and you will find that school catalogues are made the lattice-work through which moral lepers and assassins, secretly, at night, under the cover of the mails, throw their poison into seminaries of all grades. It is a terrific sign of the times when a great school, dare not publish a catalogue. I show you the caution in school exercises and the moral cost of instruction per pupil is very high, being \$25.94 and \$24.61 respectively. In Philadelphia it is only \$12.71; Richmond pays \$13.71; New Orleans \$21.90, and New York \$21.90. Incidental expenses vary in about the same way: Boston, \$10.21; San Francisco, \$9.81; Richmond, \$2.61; New Orleans, \$5.12; New York, \$5.68; but in Philadelphia, strangely enough, it is \$7.25.

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The Indianapolis school commissioners have decided to make the study of dreammaking compulsory to girls in the grammar department. Only half an hour per week is to be given to it at present.

SAN FRANCISCO MARKET.

FLOUR—The export movement for the past three years was as follows: Values 1878, \$2,938,880; 1879, \$2,940,340; 1880, \$2,940,340; 1881, \$2,940,340; 1882, \$2,940,340; 1883, \$2,940,340; 1884, \$2,940,340; 1885, \$2,940,340; 1886, \$2,940,340; 1887, \$2,940,340; 1888, \$2,940,340; 1889, \$2,940,340; 1890, \$2,940,340; 1891, \$2,940,340; 1892, \$2,940,340; 1893, \$2,940,340; 1894, \$2,940,340; 1895, \$2,940,340; 1896, \$2,940,340; 1897, \$2,940,340; 1898, \$2,940,340; 1899, \$2,940,340; 1900, \$2,940,340; 1901, \$2,940,340; 1902, \$2,940,340; 1903, \$2,940,340; 1904, \$2,940,340; 1905, \$2,940,340; 1906, \$2,940,340; 1907, \$2,940,340; 1908, \$2,940,340; 1909, \$2,940,340; 1910, \$2,940,340; 1911, \$2,940,340; 1912, \$2,940,340; 1913, \$2,940,340; 1914, \$2,940,340; 1915, \$2,940,340; 1916, \$2,940,340; 1917, \$2,940,340; 1918, \$2,940,340; 1919, \$2,940,340; 1920, \$2,940,340; 1921, \$2,940,340; 1922, \$2,940,340; 1923, \$2,940,340; 1924, \$2,940,340; 1925, \$2,940,340; 1926, \$2,940,340; 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